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In re Application of : **Attn: Mail Stop Amendment**
Tadayuki HATSUDA et al. :
Serial No. 10/816,892 : Patent Art Unit: 3618
Filed: April 5, 2004 : Examiner Christopher Bottorff
For: DRIVE APPARATUS FOR VEHICLE :

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the March 8, 2006 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 2, 4, 6, 8-10, 12-17 and 19 are pending, with claims 10 and 19 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

 No additional fee is required.

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TOTAL 13	- 20	= 0		x 25 = \$		x 50 = \$	
INDEP 2	- 3	= 0		x 100 = \$		x 200 = \$	
[] 1ST PRESENTATION OF MULT. DEP. CLAIM				+ 180 = \$		+ 360 = \$	
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